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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO A MEMORIAL.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. The freedom and security that United States  
2 citizens enjoy today are direct results of the sacrifices and  
3 continued vigilance of the United States armed forces over the  
4 course of our nation's history. The sacrifices of the members  
5 of the United States armed forces have preserved the liberties  
6 of this nation that have made it unique in the world community.  
7 Members of the United States armed forces engaged in the Persian  
8 Gulf War, from August 2, 1990, to February 28, 1991, which  
9 culminated in the liberation of Kuwait from Iraq. The United  
10 States air-and-land conflict, known as Operation Desert Storm,  
11 began on January 17, 1991, and lasted through April 11, 1991.  
12 Operation Iraqi Freedom was a military campaign led by United  
13 States troops that began on March 20, 2003, and lasted through  
14 August 31, 2010. It was later named "Operation New Dawn" on  
15 September 1, 2010. Also known as the "War in Afghanistan",  
16 Operation Enduring Freedom that began on October 7, 2001, ended  
17 its combat mission in December 2014.



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1           On July 24, 1994, Hawaii dedicated the Korean and Vietnam  
2 Memorial on the grounds of the Hawaii State Capitol. Thus, it  
3 is both fitting and necessary for the State to give tangible and  
4 visible recognition of the sacrifices and contributions of  
5 veterans from Hawaii who served in the Persian Gulf War,  
6 Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation  
7 Enduring Freedom, and Operation New Dawn.

8           SECTION 2. The office of veterans' services, with the  
9 assistance of the department of accounting and general services,  
10 department of defense, and state historic preservation division,  
11 shall develop a plan to establish a memorial honoring the  
12 veterans of the Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm,  
13 Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and  
14 Operation New Dawn.

15           The office of veterans' services shall hold a public  
16 hearing no later than ninety days after the effective date of  
17 this Act to receive comments or input from interested  
18 organizations and residents on plans to develop the memorial.

19           SECTION 3. The office of veterans' services, with the  
20 assistance of the department of accounting and general services,  
21 department of defense, and state historic preservation division,



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1 shall submit a report of the findings and recommendations to the  
2 legislature no later than January 1, 2016.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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**Report Title:**

Memorial; Persian Gulf War; Operation Desert Storm; Operation Iraqi Freedom; Operation Enduring Freedom; Operation New Dawn

**Description:**

Directs the Office of Veterans' Services, with the assistance of the Department of Accounting and General Services, Department of Defense, and State Historic Preservation Division, to develop a plan to establish a memorial honoring the veterans of the Persian Gulf War, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation New Dawn. Requires a report to the Legislature by January 1, 2016.

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